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To: Dr. Joel Boyd, Superintendent of Schools

From: Robin Desmond, Chief Academic Officer Robin Desmond

Re: Authorization to Procure Modular Units for Instructional Athletic Space at

Cawley Stadium

Date: February 10, 2022

Attached is a memorandum from Rick Underwood, Director of Operations and Maintenance, outlining the need for and costs associated with replacing the existing athletic instructional modular units at Cawley Stadium. In past years, when the existing modular units were fully functioning, the spaces were used for team meetings as well as strength and conditioning. These modular units are no longer accessible due to age and deterioration. It is also notable that there is a current community effort to improve the permanent facilities at Cawley Stadium. These improvements may affect the ability for LPS athletic programs to access indoor space for team gatherings in the future. Currently, there are 16 teams (football, Boys Soccer, Girls Soccer, Field Hockey, Boys Cross Country, Girls Cross Country, Baseball, Softball, Boys Track and Field, Girls Track and Field, Boys Lacrosse, Girls Lacrosse, Boys Crew, Girls Crew, Boys Tennis, and Girls Tennis) which would benefit from this modular unit replacement project. I would recommend procurement of the modular units at this time. The modular units may be moved to other Lowell Public Schools' athletic locations once the community efforts to improve Cawley Stadium is completed.



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To: Robin Desmond

From: Rick Underwood

Re: Instructional Athletic Space at Cawley Stadium

Date: February 10, 2022

The instructional athletic space at Cawley Stadium used by the student athletes and coaches in the Lowell High School athletics program has deteriorated to a point where they are simply not safe and should not be occupied. In light of the community efforts to turn the entire Cawley Complex into a state-of-the-art facility, it is likely the completion of such an effort will be years in the making. Therefore, to answer the immediate need of our students and to provide for their safety and wellbeing, we have considered several options and believe at this time it would be best that the existing structures are demolished and replaced with modular units - similar to a modular classroom space.

In moving forward with modular units there are two options. Purchase the modular units outright, or lease the units for a term suited to the program's needs. There is naturally a break-even point where lease payments would exceed the purchase price. Based upon the initial lease costs provided, the breakeven point for the cost of the units would occur at approximately year six.

The initial budgetary estimates to remove the existing structures at Cawley, prepare the site and deliver the modular buildings are as follows:

1.	Demolition of the Existing Structures	\$	35,000.00
2.	Site Preparation	\$	30,000.00
3.	Utility Upgrades and Connection	\$	18,000.00
4.	Technology (Network, Hardware, Security, etc.)	\$	36,000.00
5.	Modular Installation Services	\$	490,000.00
6.	Purchase of Modular Structures	\$	600,000.00
7.	Sports Flooring	\$	60,000.00
8.	Conditioning Equipment	\$	193,000.00
9.	Technology	\$.	75,000.00
10.	Contingency – 5%	\$	63,450.00

Estimated Total for Construction of Completed Space

\$ 1,600,450.00

## \*\*\*Note\*\*\*

• Additional Equipment to be provided by the Athletic Department.